

# BIAS news

*Information Service to the Irish Community*

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## Health Information Day for Irish Women

BIAS Information Centre in association with Brent and Harrow Family Health Services Authority and Parkside Health Equal Access Team are organising a health information day specifically for Irish women.

This is your chance to :

- get information and advice on health issues important to you, in an informal and friendly setting.
- speak to health professionals about what the important issues are, for yourself and your family.

**Date - Thursday 21st April 1994**

**Time - Between 11.00am and 2.00pm**

**Venue - Conference Room, Willesden Green Library Centre, High Road, Willesden, LONDON NW2**

**THIS DAY WILL BE STAFFED BY WOMEN AND IS FOR WOMEN ONLY**

**Free creche is available**

*Phone Carol Colton to book a place, and to get more information about the event:*

**Telephone 081-830 3232**

## Moving to Ireland

**Information and advice on all aspects of a move to Ireland.**

**Thursdays 2.00pm - 5.00pm**

*By appointment only - please telephone or call in to make an appointment at :*

**BIAS Information Centre, 99 Villiers Road, Willesden, LONDON NW2 5QB  
Tel:- 081-830 3232**

## Benefit for Kilburn Irish Youth Festival

**Live Band and Race Night**

**Time - 8.00pm 'til late**

**Date - Friday, 22nd April**

**Venue -**

**Katie O'Connors,  
149 - 151 High Road,  
Willesden, LONDON NW10**

**Admission FREE/£1 a race card**



# Benefit for Trasna Project

## Live music and a disco

Time 8.00pm 'til late

Date Friday, 29th April

Venue Biddy Early's, Church Road,  
Willesden, LONDON NW10

Tickets £2.50 in advance/£3.00 on door

Contract Trasna Project, tel :- 081-328 9701

## Publications available from BIAS Information Centre

Irish in Britain Directory (5th edition) £5.99

Moving to Ireland £2.00

Moving within the European Community £2.00

Publications are available at Bookstores or  
directly from BIAS Information Centre, 99  
Villiers Road, Willesden, LONDON NW2  
5QB, Tel: 081-830 3232/081-830 4440

*All prices quoted include postage and packing.  
Sterling cheques/postal orders should be made  
payable to BIAS Information Centre*

## Irish Information Service Telephone 081-830 3232

Lines open Monday to Friday 10.00am -  
5.00pm, Closed 1.00pm - 2.00pm

### Irish Information Service for information on

- \* Housing Options
- \* Employment and Training Opportunities
- \* Welfare Benefits and Services
- \* Health Services
- \* Legal Services
- \* Irish Social and Cultural Activities
- \* Moving to Ireland
- \* Working in Europe

Telephone the Irish Information Service on  
081-830 3232 or contact :  
BIAS Information Centre, 99 Villiers Road,  
Willesden, LONDON NW2 5QB

# Failte Mna

**FREE information and Advice Day for Irish  
women in Harrow**

Day Saturday

Date 7th May 1994

Time 12 noon to 6pm

Venue Harrow Leisure Centre,

Christchurch Avenue, Harrow

*nearest tube Harrow and Wealdstone*

**Information on housing, training/  
employment, health stalls, and welfare  
rights**

The event is organised by Cara Housing Asso-  
ciation and The London Irish Womens Centre  
for more information, telephone Kathleen Egan  
081 800 2744 or Geraldine Hickey 071 249  
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## New Irish Worker for Health Service

Parkside Health NHS Trust who provide  
primary health care services to the residents of  
Brent have just appointed a new member of  
staff, **Siobhan O'Sullivan** who will have  
specific responsibility for assisting the Irish  
community in Brent to have equal access to  
health services in Brent.

Parkside Health through Siobhan's post of Irish  
Outreach Worker are aiming to ensure that the  
large Irish population in Brent are aware of the  
health services available and how to make use  
of them.

*Siobhan would welcome calls from individuals  
and groups within the Irish community.  
She can be contacted at :*

*Parkside Health, Equal Access Team,  
122 High Street,  
Harlesden,  
LONDON NW10 4SP  
Tel:- 081-961 9005*



# For People on Benefits

Are you on benefits and paid by girocheque, by the Department of Social Security or the Department of Employment?

Between April and July 1994, a new style girocheque is being introduced. **These girocheques must be cashed within one month of issue.** The date of issue is shown on the right hand side of the cheque.

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## Telephoning Ireland?

### *Remember the Code:*

DIAL 010 353 then the local code (except for the 0 at the start of the local code) and then the actual number required.

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# New Style Irish Passport Application Form

**The Irish Government have introduced a new style of passport application form.**

*These are available from the Irish Embassy, 17 Grosvenor Place, London SW1X 7HR. Tel: 071-245 9033 or from BIAS Information Centre.*

Current fees for Irish passports are as follows  
Standard Passport. Cost £43.00 Sterling  
Standard Low Season. Cost £35.00 Sterling  
(available in October and November)

A 3 year passport may only be obtained if under 18 or over 65 years. Cost £10.00 Sterling

**You should allow at least six weeks for your application to be processed**

# Irish Studies Course

Birkbeck College (part of University of London) are currently running an Irish Studies course entitled Irish Communities (Tutor Sean Hutton).

*For further information, contact : Social Studies Desk, Centre for Extra-Mural Studies, University of London, 26 Russell Square, London WC1B 5DQ*

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# Directory of Services

A Directory listing all the services provided by BIAS Information Centre and BIAS Community Services is available from the Information Centre.

To obtain a copy of the Services Directory, please send an A5 size, stamp addressed (24p stamp) envelope to BIAS Information Centre.

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# BIAS news

*BIAS NEWS is issued by BIAS Information Centre every 2 months and distributed throughout Brent Specifically and London generally.*

**If you have any comments, ideas or suggestions about articles/topics, or have any information on events/activities that you would like included in BIAS NEWS, then please contact the Editor at BIAS Information Centre. Closing date for inclusion of information in next edition is 14th June 1994.**

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## NEW PUBLICATIONS FROM BIAS INFORMATION CENTRE

### *Irish in Britain Directory, 5th edition* (£5.99)

Comprehensive guide to all aspects of Irish life in Britain, includes sections on; Irish Information & Advice agencies, Social & Community groups, Education, Arts & Culture and, Business and Commerce.

### *Moving to Ireland* (£2.00)

Practical guide for anyone planning to move, or in many cases return to Ireland. Includes a directory of useful telephone numbers and contacts in Ireland.

### *Moving within the European Community* (£2.00)

A concise guide to living and working in other European countries.

## ORDER FORM

Copies of all the publications listed above are available directly from BIAS Information Centre, 99 Villiers Road, Willesden, London NW2 5QB, (081-830 3232)/Fax (081-830 4440)

**All prices quoted include postage and packaging**

*Please send me the following publication(s) :*

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Moving to Ireland ..... No of Copies .....

Moving within the European Community ..... No of Copies .....

Name .....

Organisation (if any) .....

Address .....

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..... Tel No .....

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